

**KEENE TOWNSHIP**  
**ORDINANCE NO. 24-3-13 A**

**Adopted Date \_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE  
ARTICLE II and XV**

**THE TOWNSHIP OF KEENE ORDAINS:**

**Section 1: Amend the Definitions Section as shown below:**

Article II Definitions Section 2.02

Food Truck or Food Trailer – A motorized vehicle or trailer pulled by a motorized vehicle that prepares, sells or distributes ready to eat food for individual portion service to the general public directly from the vehicle or trailer. The vehicles or trailers will include cookers, grills, smokers or similar equipment contained within the truck or on the trailer.

**Section 2: Add a new section of 15.48 as shown below:**

Article XV - Supplemental Regulations

Section 15.49 – Food Truck or Food Trailer

An operator of a food truck or food trailer shall apply for a zoning permit before setting up and selling food items. A fee must be paid as set in the Fee Schedule Resolution by the Township Board from time to time.

- A. A food truck or food trailer parked on private property for a special event of invited family and guests is exempt from this ordinance except they must be licensed by the County or State as required by law. Examples are a graduation party, wedding, birthday party, auction and fundraisers at a residence. A Township sponsored food truck or food trailer for a Township event is exempt from this ordinance except for license requirements. A food truck or food trailer shall be operated in a safe and clean manner.
- B. Food trucks or food trailers that are set up to sell food products to the general public for profit is permitted in a Commercial or Industrial zoned parcel after a zoning permit is issued.
- C. A zoning permit for operation is valid for one calendar year and must be reapplied for each year if multi-year placement is planned. Proposed dates and times must be submitted in the application.
- D. The hours of operation shall not be earlier than 6:00 am and not later than 11:59 pm.
- E. A food truck or trailer shall not be located within any street right of way and setback from a street right of way line a minimum of 25 feet and 20 feet from any other property line and 10 feet from a building on the property. Food shall not be served until the truck or trailer is parked and set up for service to the public.
- F. Any temporary sign shall be placed outside of the street right of way and may be up to 8 square feet and 4 feet high. Other signage may be on the vehicle or trailer. No flashing, blinking or extra bright lights are permitted on or near the food truck or trailer.
- G. The serving and eating area shall be kept clean and trash receptacles must be provided with all debris cleaned up at the end of the operation day.

- H If outdoor seating, benches or tables are proposed they must be shown on the site plan.
- I An operator shall not extend power cables, extension cords or similar devices across any street, sidewalk or pathway.
- J The food truck or trailer must be completely self-contained and prohibited from disposing of liquid wastes such as grease into storm drains or sanitary sewers or septic systems.
- K The food truck or trailer shall not block a walkway, pedestrian or vehicle movement area.
- L The food truck or trailer shall not make or cause excessive noise. If a generator is used, it must be a quieter type and placed where the noise and any fumes are not close to the food service.
- M Operators shall provide a copy of their vehicle insurance and liability insurance and a written authorization from the landowner.
- N. Each zoning permit is valid for the applicant that it is issued to and may not be transferred to another food truck or trailer operator.
- O. An application for a food truck or food trailer operation shall contain the following information.
1. The applicants name, address, phone number, driver's license or photo identification and email.
  2. The address of the property where the food truck or trailer will be located.
  3. The name, address, phone number, drivers license or photo identification and email of the party responsible for operating the food truck or trailer if different from the applicant. If more than one individual is employed at the food truck or trailer, the names, address, phone number, driver's license or photo identification and email for all employees shall be provided.
  4. The license plate number of the food truck or trailer along with the type of vehicle or trailer and a photo of the truck or trailer.
  5. The proposed days and hours of operation and estimated staffing level.
  6. Written permission from the owner of the properties on which the food truck or trailer will be located.
  7. A site plan sketch showing each proposed location of the food truck or trailer in relation to existing buildings, parking areas, streets, driveway, and sidewalks.
  8. Provide copies of any license, permit or authorization required by any other ordinance, statute or administrative rule such as County Health Department or a State department.
  9. Provide a copy of the operator's liability insurance.
- P. A revocation of the food truck or trailer operator's zoning permit may occur if they do not abide by the requirements of operation and documents within a reasonable time after a warning. An appeal of a revocation decision may be appealed to the Zoning Board of Appeals of Keene Township.

**Section 3:**

Validity and Severability. Should any portion of this Ordinance be found invalid for any reason, such holding shall not be construed as affecting the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

**Section 4:**

Repealer Clause. Any ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

**Section 5:**

Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective seven (7) days after publication.

**ADOPTED:**

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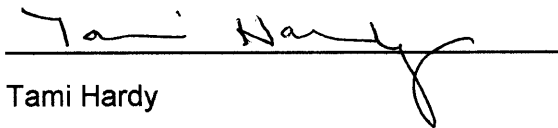
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I, the undersigned, the duly elected Clerk of Keene Township, Ionia County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete representation of certain proceedings conducted by the Board of Trustees of said Township at a meeting held on this   13   day of   march  , 2024.



Tami Hardy

Keene Township Clerk

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